



Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b> <i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i>	Application Number	TBA 10 817 517	
	Filing Date	April 2, 2004	
	First Named Inventor	Rhonda Holbrook	
	Art Unit	TBA	
	Examiner Name	TBA	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	27	Attorney Docket Number	45550.0100

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance communication to Group
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	Cover Sheet and Assignment Return Post Card
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	Remarks	
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application		
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	Patrick L. Mixon, Reg. 47,801, Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. One Arizona Center, 400 East Van Buren Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2202
Signature	
Date	April 16, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the			
Typed or printed name	Patrick L. Mixon, Reg. 47,801		
Signature		Date	April 16, 2004

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.



# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) \$40.00

## Complete if Known

Application Number	TBA 10 817 517
Filing Date	April 2, 2004
First Named Inventor	Rhonda Holbrook
Examiner Name	TBA
Art Unit	TBA
Attorney Docket No.	45550.0100

## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

☒ Deposit Account:

Deposit  
Account  
Number

19-2814

Deposit  
Account  
Name

Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.

The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☒ Credit any overpayments

☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s)

☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.

## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$)

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND

Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid
		-20** =	0	X		0.00
Independent		-3** =	0	X		0.00
Multiple Dependent						

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$) 0.00

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non - English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) \$40.00

## SUBMITTED BY

Name (Print/Type)

Patrick L. Mixon

Registration No.  
(Attorney/Agent)

47,801

## Complete (if applicable)

Telephone

602/382-6274

Signature

Date

April 16, 2004

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on**

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.



10 817 517

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT**

Applicant(s): **Rhonda Holbrook** Docket No.: **45550.0100**  
Serial No.: **TBA** Confirmation No.: **TBA** Group Art Unit: **TBA**  
Filed: **April 2, 2004** Examiner: **TBA**  
Title: **SHOPPING CART SANITIZING SYSTEM**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R., §§1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A. One copy of each cited document is submitted herewith. Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are patentable over the foregoing references, alone or in combination. The Examiner is requested to initial the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A and return a copy thereof to the undersigned.

The items listed on Form PTO/SB/08A may be deemed to be pertinent to the above-identified application and are made of record to assist the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of this application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to fully consider the items and to independently ascertain their teaching.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicants reserve the right to dispute any of the listed documents as prior art during examination. Further, Applicants do not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application. Furthermore, the submission of

this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other material information may exist.

1. ☐ For each of the following items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A that is not in the English language, an English language translation of that item or a portion thereof or a concise explanation of the relevance of that item is enclosed:
- 
- 

2. ☐ Any copy of the items listed on the enclosed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A that is not enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement was previously cited by or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the prior ☐ Parent Application, ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional or ☐ Continuation-In-Part application under 37 C.F.R. §1.97, U.S. Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

3. ☒ No fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with:

☒ 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application.

☐ 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(2), within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application.

☐ 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits.

4. ☐ No fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), after the period specified in paragraph 3 above but before the mailing date of a final action or a Notice of Allowance (where there has been no prior final action), and is accompanied by one of the certifications pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) set forth in paragraph 8 below.

5. ☐ A fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), after the period specified in paragraph 3 above but before the mailing date of a final action or a notice of allowance (where there has been no prior final action):

☐ A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed in payment of the fee.

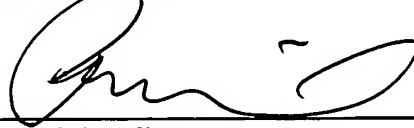
☐ Charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2814. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

6. ☐ A fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), after the mailing date of a final action or a notice of allowance, whichever comes first, but before payment of the issue fee, and is accompanied by:
- a. one of the certifications pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) set forth in paragraph 8 below; and
  - b. the attached petition requesting consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement; and
  - c. the fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) which is paid as set forth in paragraph 9 below.
7. ☐ A fee is due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) for this Information Disclosure Statement since it is being filed in compliance with:
- a. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §1.313(b)(3), after the issue fee has been paid and information cited in this Information Disclosure Statement may render at least one claim unpatentable and is accompanied by the attached Petition To Withdraw Application From Issue;
  - b. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §1.313(b)(5), after the issue fee has been paid and information cited in this Information Disclosure Statement is to be considered in a Continuation application upon abandonment of the instant application and is accompanied by the attached Petition To Withdraw Application From Issue.
  - c. ☐ The fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) is paid as set forth in paragraph 9 below.
8. ☐ I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ I hereby certify that no item of information in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.
9. ☐ A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed in payment of the fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p).
- ☐ Charge the fee due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)(1) to Deposit Account No. 19-2814.  
**A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.**

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Information Disclosure Statement, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2814. **A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Snell & Wilmer



Dated: April 16, 2004

Patrick L. Mixon  
Registration No. 47,801

Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.  
One Arizona Center  
400 E. Van Buren  
Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2202  
Phone: (602) 382-6274  
Fax: (602) 382-6070  
Email: pmixon@swlaw.com



GROUP **TBA**



<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION</b> (Use several sheets if necessary)	ATTY DOCKET NO. 45550.0100	SERIAL NO. TBA
	APPLICANT(S) Rhonda Holbrook	
	FILING DATE April 2, 2004	GROUP TBA

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**


**U.S. PATENT APPLICATIONS**

	9.	US 2004/0031507 A1*	2004/02/19	Ross et al.			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO

**OTHER DOCUMENTS** (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.).

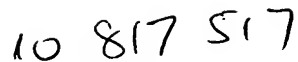
	10.		<a href="http://www.louisville.com/voicedisplay.html?article=8190">www.louisville.com/voicedisplay.html?article=8190</a> , <i>Clean Machine: Crum's Sani-Dryer invention cleans, disinfects shopping carts; device at east End Winn-Dixie is first in Kentucky</i> , Leigh Harrington, <i>Voice Tribune</i> , January 23, 2001
	11.		<a href="http://www.cleanshopper.com/transcript-inside-edition.html">www.cleanshopper.com/transcript-inside-edition.html</a> , <i>University Expert: Carts Can Be Dirtier Than Public Bathrooms</i> , Dr. Kelly Reynolds, Original Airdate: Friday, November 14, 2003*
	12.		<a href="http://www.geniusbabies.com/clean-shopper-shopping-cart-cover.html">www.geniusbabies.com/clean-shopper-shopping-cart-cover.html</a> , <i>Clean Shopper - Keep grocery cart germs away!*</i>

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.





*(Use several sheets if necessary)*

## INDEX

SERIAL NO. **TBA**

**APPLICANT(S)**  
**Rhonda Holbrook**

FILING DATE April 2, 2004

GROUP TBA

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

[illegible]



10 817517

<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION</b> (Use several sheets if necessary)  <b><u>INDEX</u></b>				ATTY DOCKET NO. 45550.0100		SERIAL NO. TBA	
				APPLICANT(S) Rhonda Holbrook			
				FILING DATE April 2, 2004		GROUP TBA	
<b>U.S. PATENT APPLICATIONS</b>							
9.	US 2004/0031507 A1*	2004/02/19	Ross et al.	Systems and Method for Automated Cart Washing			
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	TITLE			
<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS</b> (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
	10.		www.louisville.com/voicedisplay.html?article=8190, <i>Clean Machine: Crum's Sani-Dryer invention cleans, disinfects shopping carts; device at east End Winn-Dixie is first in Kentucky</i> , Leigh Harrington, <i>Voice Tribune</i> , January 23, 2001				
	11.		www.cleanshopper.com/transcript-inside-edition.html, <i>University Expert: Carts Can Be Dirtier Than Public Bathrooms</i> , Dr. Kelly Reynolds, Original Airdate: Friday, November 14, 2003*				
	12.		www.geniusbabies.com/clean-shopper-shopping-cart-cover.html, <i>Clean Shopper - Keep grocery cart germs away!*</i>				
EXAMINER				DATE CONSIDERED			
*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							